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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Venegas, Jr.

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For: INTEGRAL POST SLEEVE AND SIGN

AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO FINAL REJECTIONMail Stop AF
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Dear Sir:

In response to the final Office Action mailed December 16, 2003, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

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